IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

pplicant: Yuji Yakura, et al.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a two month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). The time to respond is thus extended to February 8, 2004. Applicants have included a check in the amount of \$420.00 as payment of the required fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a).

SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts mailed October 8, 2003, Applicants submit an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney as required in the Notice. In addition, Applicants submit a check in the amount of \$130.00 as payment of the surcharge set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1794.

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